



Town of Duxbury Conservation Commission

Minutes of February 15, 2022

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The Duxbury Conservation Commission met on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via remote Zoom videoconferencing.

Members Present: Robb D'Ambruoso, Chair; Scott Zoltowski, Vice-Chair; Sam Butcher; Tom Gill; and Corey Wisneski.

Members Absent: Mickey McGonagle and Holly Morris.

Staff Present: Joe Grady, Conservation Administrator; Nancy Rufo, Administrative Assistant; Pat Loring, volunteer

Meeting was called to order by Chair, Robb D'Ambruoso at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. D'Ambruoso read the following preamble: Pursuant to Governor Baker's Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 dated June 16, 2021, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency regarding suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, the Town of Duxbury's Board and/or Committee meetings will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible with members. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch the meeting may do so by following the Zoom meeting links.

Roll call vote of members present: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Minutes for Approval: Regular Session: February 1, 2022

Scott Zoltowski made a motion, seconded by Sam Butcher, to approve the February 1, 2022 Regular Session Minutes. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

Motion carried 5-0

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING, CURRIER/DUXBURY CONSTRUCTION; 230 MARSHALL STREET; STONE REVETMENT AND DRIFT FENCE SE18-1976

Applicant has submitted a written request for a Public Hearing continuance.

Corey Wisneski made a motion, seconded by Tom Gill, to continue the SE18-1976 Public Hearing until April 12, 2022 at 7:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

Motion carried 5-0

**PUBLIC HEARING; CAMPBELL/5 WETLANDS; 5 EAST MARGINAL ROAD; RAZE SFH ON WALLED FOUNDATION AND REPLACE WITH SFH ON OPEN PIER FOUNDATION
SE18-1995**

Robb D'Ambruoso read the Legal Notice for SE18-1995. Ken Thompson, Botanist and Wetland Scientist presented a brief history of the project. A recent Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing has caused a redesign of the project. The applicant is, therefore, requesting a continuance of the Conservation Commission Public Hearing until the redesign is complete. The house is located on a Barrier Beach. Joe Grady stated the first floor must be open underneath to allow migration of the Barrier Beach during storm events. He also questioned whether the current plans meet Duxbury Wetland Bylaw Performance Standards. Discussion was ended since the project will be modified and new plans submitted.

Corey Wisneski made a motion, seconded by Tom Gill, to continue the Public Hearing for SE18-1995 until March 29, 2022 at 7:10 p.m. Motion passed on a roll call vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

Motion carried 5-0

**REQUEST FOR MODIFICATIONS; SEELY/DUXBURY CONSTRUCTION; 187 KING CAESAR ROAD; REVISIONS TO GRADING, COVERAGE, DRAINAGE, AND RETAINING WALL
SE18-1936 (SINGLE FAMILY HOME) AND SE18-1951 (SEAWALL)**

Robb D'Ambruoso recused himself from the discussion. Vice Chair, Scott Zoltowski chaired the discussion for modifications to SE18-1936 and SE18-1951, emphasizing that this was not a Public Hearing. In response to abutters Mr. and Mrs. Lietzes concerns, Freeman Boynton presented project modifications which include reduction in the lawn area and impervious lot coverage. Also, plantings have been added to reduce runoff and a drainage swale has been changed to an infiltration trench to absorb runoff. Eight large trees will be planted to provide a screen to the abutter's property. Several meetings have been held with the Lietzes to provide solutions to their concerns. Attorney Rod (?) Lietzes, son of the abutters, brought up several additional concerns regarding erosion, the future viability of the infiltration trench, height of the grade, and location of the wing wall. Attorney Lietzes submitted a letter to the Commission outlining his concerns, however the letter arrived at 7:09 pm tonight, after the start of the Conservation Commission meeting. Mr. Boynton responded that several large improvements have been made in response to the abutters' concerns. A request by Attorney Lietzes to show photographs was not allowed by the Chair. With no further questions from the Commission, Mr. Zoltowski called for a motion.

Sam Butcher made a motion, seconded by Corey Wisneski, to approve the project changes as outlined in Memos of 11/2/21 and 11/23/21 and the Revised Plan (and memo?) of 12/23/21. Motion passed on a Roll Call Vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; and Scott Zoltowski, yes;

Motion carried 4-0

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (continued):

Duxbury Beach Reservation 2022 Project List: Joe Grady and Corey Wisneski recused themselves from the Duxbury Beach Reservation discussion. Chris Luttazi, Executive

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Director of the Duxbury Beach Reservation, Inc., presented the 2022 project list as required by the Order of Conditions. There are twenty (20) annual projects, which are recurring under the existing Order of Conditions and six new projects, two of which will become recurring. Ms. Luttazi gave details of the six new projects which are: create an ADA access path to the bayside beach, reduce the depth of a pullout along the beach road, improve the ADA ramp to the flagpole and benches, create a sacrificial mound and pathway at Blakemans and various parking lot and roadway improvements, including Plum Hills Restoration. The projects will be completed by April 1, 2022.

Scott Zoltowski made a motion, seconded by Tom Gill to approve the project list as presented. Motion passed on a roll call vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

Motion carried 4-0

Approval of NOI Fee Waiver for Duxbury Beach Reservation (SE18-1990; Duxbury Beach/Plum Hills Restoration)

Tom Gill made a motion, seconded by Scott Zoltowski to approve the fee waiver for the Duxbury Beach Reservation, Inc. Plum Hills project. Motion passed on a roll call vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

Motion carried 4-0

Five-year Conservation Commission Plan: Corey Wisneski, Sam Butcher and Holly Morris developed a five-year plan several years ago. With Joe Grady's planned retirement in August 2022, updating the Five-year Conservation Commission Plan would be important for a new Conservation Agent. Commissioners were asked to read it over and prepare for discussion at the next Commission meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Sam Butcher made a motion, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Sam Butcher, yes; Tom Gill, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; Scott Zoltowski, yes; and Robb D'Ambruoso, yes.

Motion carried 5-0.

The next Conservation Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.